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Daley pledges support for State's Attorney Hanrahan.

tortion" of his tax plan hurt him severely in the primary. But it was a general mood of discontent, dissatisfaction with the status quo and his own inability to present himself as an advocate of change that cost him the election, he said.

"There was a protest vote —people have seen all the bad headlines they want to see," Simon said. "They want a change. My opponent managed to convey to them that he stood for change more than I do."

U.S. to Investigate Ill. for Vote Fraud

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CHICAGO, March 22—A federal grand jury will begin investigation Thursday of allegations of vote fraud in the Illiois primary election, James R. Thompson, U.S. attorney for the northern district of Illinois announced today.

Thompson said the grand jury action was approved by the criminal division of the Justice Department. The division instructed him to continue the probe beyond the term of the March panel if necessary.

He predicted the jury would "probably not be able to complete its job of hearing evidence before the month ends."

Coming under federal scrutiny are more than 100 complaints involving possible violations of several federal election laws including prohibition of chain voting in the casting of ballots for non-existent persons, otherwise known as "ghost voting."

The Justice Department complaints are separate from more than 450 complaints received by the Cook County state's attorney's office yesterday. These allegations led to the arrest of 25 persons, including 13 polling place judges.

State's attorney police also impounded several voting machines, which allegedly registered higher vote totals than voter applications would warrant.

The Cook County state's attorney is Edward V. Hanrahan, who, while under indictment for obstructing justice in connection with a fatal 1969 police raid on Black Panther Party headquarters, scored a stunning upset primary victory for renomination yesterday. He defeated Mayor Daley's usually reliable Democratic machine in a three-way primary battle.

Virtually all of the state's attorney's arrests were made in havily black wards where prodigous majorities are traditionally recorded for machine candidates.

In addition to chain balloting and ghost voting, Thompson said the federal investigation would include areas of illegal assistance to voters, intimidation of voters and candidates, vote buying, and "any act which dilutes the affect of anyone else's vote.

The charges against election judges and precinct workers by the state's attorney's office range from illegal vote buying to tampering with election machines and voter intimidation. Some of those charged were arraigned today and released on $1,000 bonds.

Five election judges were arrested in one westside ward where machines showed 130 more votes cast than there were applicants for ballots. At the time of the finding, the polling place had been open less than two hours.